# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# FISCAL MEMORANDUM

## HB 1311 - SB 1309

April 1, 2009

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005834):** Deletes the language of the original bill. Removes authority from the Department of Finance and Administration (F&A) to transfer any Department of Transportation (TDOT) funds, reserve accounts, programs in the Highway Fund, or other specified funds. Authorizes transfers from Highway Fund pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 47-18-1311.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

(CORRECTED)

Increase State Revenue – \$1,100,000/Highway Fund Decrease State Revenue – \$1,100,000/General Fund

Other Fiscal Impact – In future years when shortfalls exist, transfers from other state funds, reserve accounts, or programs would be required for year-end closings in lieu of any transfers that would have otherwise been made from transportation funds, transportation reserves, or the Highway Fund.

#### FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Other Fiscal Impact - In future years when shortfalls exist, transfers from other state funds, reserve accounts, or programs would be required for year-end closings in lieu of any transfers that would have otherwise been made from transportation funds, transportation reserves, or the Highway Fund.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- This bill will limit the ability of F&A to manage shortfalls in the future. A transfer of \$55,800,000 was made from the Highway Fund for closing out FY05-06; a transfer of \$30,300,000 was made from the Highway Fund for closing out FY06-07.
- The Commissioner of F&A is authorized under current law to transfer funds from the Highway Fund pursuant to Tenn. Code. Ann. § 47-18-1311.

- According to F&A, the Division of Budget, \$1,100,000 will be transferred for FY09-10 from the Highway Fund pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 47-18-1311 (page A-11 of the Governor's FY09-10 Recommended Budget).
- This bill as amended authorizes any transfers pursuant to Tenn. Code. Ann. § 47-18-1311.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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